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This response is being submitted with a petition for a one-month extension to time to submit the response, with a corresponding Form 2038.

Claim amendments

The set of claims is being amended as shown on the attached marked-up pages, canceling claims 3 and 25, and withdrawing claims 10-22 and 26-28, without prejudice. Claims 1, 4, 8, and 9 have been amended.

The changes in the set of claims address the Examiner's objections and rejections, as expressed in his letter, as well as during the telephone conference held with him.

Claim Rejection – 35 USC § 112

Claims 1 and 3 were rejected as being indefinite. After canceling claim 3 and amending claim 1, the reasons for said rejection become moot.

Claim 1 and 8 have been amended to include the features of solvate and isomer, which features are supported in the description, for example, at lines 5-6 on page 47. Following said amendments, the features of solvate and isomer in claim 23 have a sufficient antecedent in claim 1.

Although the applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's opinion of claim 25's indefiniteness, that claim has now been canceled without prejudice in order to simplify the prosecution.

Claim Objections

Claim 9 has been provided with a period, as requested. As for objected claims 2-9 and 23-25, claims 3 and 25 have been canceled, and the remaining claims now depend directly or indirectly upon claim 1, which has been amended and is now believed to be allowable. Therefore, the reasons for the objections are believed to have become moot.

Conclusions

Since all the Examiners objections and rejections have been considered and addressed in the above mentioned amendments and explanations, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims are now ready for allowance and such allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted



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